IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD

SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION No 883 of 2004

For Approval and Signature:

HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE J.R.VORA

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1. Whether Reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgements? : NO

2. To be referred to the Reporter or not? : NO

3. Whether Their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the judgement? : NO

4. Whether this case involves a substantial question of law as to the interpretation of the Constitution of India, 1950 of any Order made thereunder? : NO

5. Whether it is to be circulated to the concerned Magistrate/Magistrates,Judge/Judges,Tribunal/Tribunals? : NO

SHEKHADA RACHANA DHIRAJLAL

Versus

REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICER

Appearance:

MR AM PAREKH for MR AG JOSHI for Petitioner

MR JS YADAV for Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE J.R.VORA

Date of decision: 23/06/2004

ORAL JUDGEMENT

1. Rule. Learned Advocate Mr.J.S.Yadav waives service of rule on behalf of respondent.

2. Heard learned Advocate Mr. A.M. Parekh for the petitioner and learned Advocate Mr. Yadav for the respondent. This is an application filed by the petitioner for effecting the change in Passport about her place of birth. In School Leaving Certificate which is submitted to the passport authorities, the birth place was shown by the petitioner to be Baroda while as per the record of Gram Panchayat, her correct place of birth is Gopalgram. It is submitted that for effecting the change, an application, copy of which is placed on record at Annexure-C, page-8, is preferred to the Regional Passport Officer. Learned Advocate for the respondent submitted that this Application is pending for the final decision of the Passport Authorities.

3. In this view of the matter, this Petition can be disposed of with the direction to respondent to decide the Application of the present petitioner for effecting change in place of Birth of petitioner, within 20 days from today, sympathetically and according to law and rules.

4. With the above said order, this petition is disposed of. Rule is made absolute to the above extent. The amount of Rs. 2,500/- deposited by the petitioner in this Court is directed to be refunded to her. Direct service is permitted.

(J.R. Vora, J.)

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